

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) An automotive interior trim assembly, comprising:

a support; and

an ashtray coupled to said support and adapted to store one or more items, said ashtray comprising:

a compartment body defining a cavity adapted to store the one or more items and having an opening for gaining access to said cavity;

a cover coupled to said compartment body and moveable between an open position, wherein said cavity is accessible through said opening, and a closed position, wherein said cover overlies said opening; and

an electroluminescent lamp molded to one of said compartment body and said cover and having an illumination surface facing said cavity when said cover is in the closed position, said electroluminescent lamp adapted to illuminate said cavity when said cover is in the open position.

2. (Original) The trim assembly of claim 1, wherein said electroluminescent lamp is molded with the compartment body.

3. (Original) The trim assembly of claim 1, wherein said electroluminescent lamp is molded with the cover.

4. (Original) The trim assembly of claim 1 further comprising:

an electrical circuit for energizing said electroluminescent lamp.

5. (Currently Amended) An automotive interior ~~[[The]]~~ trim assembly ~~[[of claim 4]],~~
~~wherein said electrical circuit comprises~~ comprising:

a support;

an ashtray coupled to said support and adapted to store one or more
items, said ashtray comprising:

a compartment body defining a cavity adapted to store the one or
more items and having an opening for gaining access to said cavity;

a cover coupled to said compartment body and moveable between
an open position, wherein said cavity is accessible through said opening, and a closed
position, wherein said cover overlies said opening; and

an electroluminescent lamp molded to one of said compartment
body and said cover and adapted to illuminate said cavity when said cover is in the
open position; and

an electrical circuit for energizing said electroluminescent lamp, said
electrical circuit comprising:

a power source;

a first electrical connector coupled to said compartment body and
electrically coupled to said electroluminescent lamp; and

a second electrical connector coupled to said support and

electrically coupled to said power source, wherein said first electrical connector is electrically coupled to said second electrical connector when said ashtray is coupled to said support so as to energize said electroluminescent lamp.

6. (Original) The trim assembly of claim 4, further comprising:

an electrical switch having a first position that energizes the electroluminescent lamp and a second position that de-energizes the electroluminescent lamp.

7. (Original) The trim assembly of claim 6, wherein said electrical switch is in the first position when said cover is in the open position and said electrical switch is in the second position when said cover is in the closed position.

8. (Currently Amended) An automotive interior trim assembly, comprising:

a support; and

an ashtray coupled to said support and adapted to store one or more items, said ashtray comprising:

a compartment body defining a cavity adapted to store the one or more items and having an opening for gaining access to said cavity, said compartment body including a first connecting member integrally formed therein; and

a cover including a second connecting member integrally formed therein, said first connecting member cooperating with said second connecting member to couple said cover to said compartment body, said cover being moveable between an

open position, wherein said cavity is accessible through said opening, and a closed position, wherein said cover overlies said opening; and

an electroluminescent lamp coupled to one of said compartment body and said cover and having an illumination surface facing said cavity when said cover is in the closed position, said electroluminescent lamp adapted to illuminate said cavity when said cover is in the open position.

- 9. Canceled.
- 10. Canceled.
- 11. Canceled.